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For: READY-FOR-USE INJECTABLE SOLUTION OF 9-((1,3-DIHYDROXYPROPAN-2-

ILOXY)METHYL)-2-AMINE-1H-PURIN-6(9H)-ONE, STERILE, STABLE; CLOSED SYSTEM FOR PACKING THE SOLUTION, PROCESS FOR ELIMINATING ALKALINE

RESIDUALS OF 9-((1,3-

DIHYDROXYPROPAN-2-ILOXY)METHYL)-2-AMINE-1H-PURIN-6 (9H)-ONE CRYSTALS; PHARMACEUTICAL PRESENTATION AS A CLOSED SYSTEM READY-FOR-USE; USES AND METHODS

APPLICANTS' STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A telephone interview was conducted with the Examiner on December 9, 2010. Applicants have received the Examiner's Interview Summary Record, which correctly indicates that the pending rejection of claims for obviousness was discussed, as was the nature of comparative testing that should be performed to obtain persuasive evidence of unobviousness of the invention.

To this Summary, Applicants would add that the Examiner indicated that it would be sufficient to compare a preparation according to the invention to any commercially available free-acid form of gangeyclovir.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be solved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell, Ph.D., Reg. No. 36,623, at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in the connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.R.F. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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